WANTED, A FIRST-CLASS SALES-MAN to work in Virginia. TERMS: Com-mission, including travelling expenses. SAMUEL BEVAN & CO., Whole-sale Dry Goods and Notions, de 24-4t

de 24-4t WANTED, BOARDERS at MRS.
WEBB'S, 310 Twelfth street. Best accommodations. Hot baths. House centrally located.
de 20-cod6t\*

WANTED, TO SELL OUT ALL THE DIAMONDS, WATCHES, CHAINS, elegant RINGS, BUTTONS, &c., on hand, regardless of value. No better chance was ever offered to bargain-seekers, especially those wanting CHRIST-MAS PRESENTS, as I am determined to give up my office on the 1st of January next, so I will sell at a sacridce.

S. A. WINSTOCK, de 11-1m

No. 17 Fourteenth street.

LOST. STRAYED. AND FOUND. OST, between the corner of Twentieth LADY'S CAMEO BREASTPIN, A suitable reward will be paid it left at this office. de 27-1t\*

STRAYED FROM MY PLACE, on Grove road, TWO COWS-one red in and white, and about to caive, and the other white and yellow; both in fine condition. A suitable reward will be paid if returned to my place or to 1212 Cary street.

GEORGE S. STOKES, Cary street. de 24-3t

STOLEN OR STRAYED from my
COLORED SETTER DOG; answers to the name of
Otto. A liberal reward will be paid for his recoverv. de 24-31\* BENJAMIN H. BERRY.

## DIVIDENDS.

THE STATE BANK OF VIRGINIA. RICHMOND, VA., December 26, 1878. THE DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK 1879. de 27-td

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

CITIZENS BANK OF RICHMOND. December 24, 1878. The BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK have THIS DAY declared a divident of FOUR FER CENT, out of the net earnings of the past six months, free of tax, payable on and after the 2D DAY OF JANUARY, 1879.

EDWIN B. SNEAD, de 25-3t Cashler.

OFFICE OF THE VIRGINIA FIRE AND MABINE INSURANCE COMPANY, RICHMOND, December 23, 1878. THE DIRECTORS OF THIS COMPA-NY have declared a semi-annual dividend of SEVEN PER CENT, out of the net profits of the past six months, free of all taxes, payable on and after January 6, 1879.

de 25-10t W. H. McCARTHY. Secretary.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK. }
RICHMOND, VA., December 24, 1878. THE DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK
have THIS DAY declared a dividend of FIVE
PER CENT. free of taxes, out of the profits of the
past six months, payable to the stockholders on and after the 2d day of January next. de 25-4Ja4 S. A. GLOVER, Cashier.

RICHMOND AND PETERSBURG RAILROAD CO., TREASURER'S OFFICE.
RICHMOND, VA., December 24, 1878. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT
A DIVIDEND OF TWO PER CENT, on the
capital stock of this company has been declared,
payable at the office of the company, in the city of
Richmond, Va., on and after the 6TH JANUARY

NEXT.
The transfer-books will be closed on the 25th instant until 6th January, 1879.
M. W. YARRINGTON.

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Having determined to close out my entire stock of DRY GOODS and confine myself exclusively to TRIMMINGS, NOTIONS, and FANCY GOODS, I will offer my entire stock of DRY GOODS at and below cost. I will enumerate in part below cost. I will enumerate in part— Beautiful FIGURED DRESS GOODS at 163c, worth RICH TYCOON REPS for wrappers, 16%c. worth BLACK ALL-WOOL CASHMERES, 50c. worth A large let of other DRESS GOODS, 124c. worth TABLE LINENS, CASSIMERES, &c., &c.-all very Also, 500 pairs ONE-BUTTON KID GLOVES at 25c, worth 75c. Call early a.

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is the place to buy

HOLIDAY GOODS from the most complete line in town of

FINE and CHEAP VASES, TOILET-SETS, LAVA FIGURE-BUSTS and SMOKING FLOWER-POT FIGURES and FLOWER-POTS,

NICKLE, BRASS, and GLASS INKS from 25c. up; CARD-STANDS, JEWELRY-BOXES, ALBUMS-for photograph and autograph; DOLL PERAMBULATORS. LAMPS, CHINA and GLASSWARE, HAIR-BRUSHES from 25c. up

COMBS from 7c. CLOTHES-BRUSHES, 35c. up. PARIAN MARBLE GOODS.

I have reduced the price of those sold at 99c. a piece to \$1.25 a pair, and those sold at 99c. a pair I have, also, a few pieces of the GREEK SLAVE, in Evans, George A. Hundley, and S. B. Ja-

glass case, to be sold at \$1.25; Our large MOVING-EYED DOLL at 75c. is a great Catalogues mailed free to any one sending ad-

W. A. STEVENS. de 14 505 Broad street

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> CHARTERED 1832. ASSETS, \$600,000.

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Special rates to drovers, and every accommodation exicuted them for the transaction of their busi-In connection with the stables I have established a Bazaar for the SALE BY AUCTION OF HORSES, MULES, VEHICLES OF All kinds. HARNESS, SADDLES, BRIDLES, ROBES, WHIPE, EC. AUCTION DAYS: WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY at 11 o'clock A. M.

JOHN B. DAVIS, Proprietor.
C. S. ALLEN, Manager.
C. C. BURTON, Auctioneer.

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THE FIRST NATIONAL CANK has declar dividend of five per cent., and not four the types made us say on Wednesday.

Lestic's Illustrated Newspaper and per's Weekly for this week received in the control of the proprietor.

Ellyson & Yancey, 1112 Main street.

per's Weekly for this week received from Ellyson & Yancey, 1112 Main street.

In making money, and that they should is promised all who attend. There will be by calling at LEVY BROTHERS' and making your purchases. Lestie's Illustrated Newspaper and Har-

A pleasant time is anticipated.

## DATEN DISPATCH.

RICHMOND, VA., FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 27, 1878.

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M., 35; midnight, 33.

Mean temperature, 333.

Richmond Dispatch.

FRIDAY..... DECEMBER 27, 1878.

WEATHER REPORT.

INDICATIONS FOR TO-DAY .- For the Mid-

dle Atlantic States, southwest to southeast

winds, falling barometer, warmer, cloudy

For the South Atlantic States, falling

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY was clear and

it cleared up, and about 5 o'clock com-

THERMOMETER YESTERDAY: 6 A. M., 23;

LOCAL MATTERS.

COLD AND SNOWY WEATHER-ICE.-Up to

occasional heavy frosts and cold snaps,

the basin was completely covered with ice,

The winds have mostly been from the

north and northwest. Yesterday morning

t changed to the east, and during the day

there was a slight fall of snow, with indi-

cations of more in the next few hours. The

barometer-such as is in use in the signal-

About 5 o'clock last evening it com-

ICE .- The ice is one or two inches thick

in the basin and from four to five inches on

shallow ponds. There was pretty fair

skating on the Reservoir lake yesterday.

One young man broke in, and got wet to

the skin. Superintendent Baker furnished

him with a dry suit of clothes, which ena-

bled him to make a dignified retreat home-

FIRES YESTERDAY AFTERNOON .- About

menced snowing again, and was still snow-

service-also indicated falling weather.

and the canal was frozen over as far up the

country as heard from.

ing at midnight.

nev-sparks. Loss, \$50.

ably the work of an incendiary.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.-At a regular

meeting of Marshall Lodge, No. 12, K. of

P., the following officers were elected last

night : Robert J. Clayton, past chancellor;

A. A. Warren, chancellor commander; J.

R. Sheppard, vice-chancellor; A. D. Jenkins,

prelate; William H. Bailee, keeper of records

and seal; W. H. Kelley, master of exchequer;

W. J. McDowell, master of finance; J. W.

Carr, representative to Grand Lodge. This

Lodge was instituted in January, 1871, has

112 members, and \$2,300 in the treasury.

The Lodge is in excellent condition. The

meetings are well attended, and, taken alto-

gether, is one of the very best lodges in this

jurisdiction. W. H. Bailee, the present

keeper of records and seal, has been elected

At a regular session of Court Liberty,

No. 5, I. O. F., last night, the following of-

ficers were elected for the ensuing term:

George R. Pace, chief ranger; W. H. Tall-

man, vice-chief ranger; Walter Moore, re-

cording secretary; R. E. Tyler, financial

secretary; John M. Nowlin, treasurer; Theodore E. Boschen, senior woodward:

William A. Edwards, junior woodward: J.

W. Adkins, senior beadle; John H. Mar-

shall, junior beadle; James H. Pettes, chap-

PERSONAL .- Colonel Thomas B. Bigger is

improving, it is thought, but is still quite

sick. Mr. W. J. Bigger, assistant clerk of

the House, is suffering from a severe attack

Senator Bland and Delegates Davis, of

among the members of the General Assem-

bly who did not return to their homes to

Elijah Baker, Esq., a member of the Council from Jefferson Ward, who has been

sick for four weeks pust, was able to be up

R. P. Warren, Esq., of the Charleston

W. Va., Courier, is on a visit to his friends

HORSES AND HEARSE OVERBOARD .- The

hearse sent to King William county from

this city, to be used at the funeral of the late

Hon. Beverly B. Douglas, met with a seri-

ous accident on its way back to this

city. In crossing the Pamunkey river the

water was very high, and the ferry-boat had

to be polled over. When about the middle

of the river the boatman accidentally struck

one of the horses over the head with his

pole, which caused it to spring forward.

the team ran out of the boat into the river

The other horse also became frightened, and

Steps will be taken when the water sub-

church yesterday morning. Dr. Read, Rev.

SHOT IN THE HAND .- Oliver Wilson, a co-

lored man living on Second street, while

preparing his pistol a night or two ago to

fire a salute for the Christmas holidays, acci-

dentally shot himself in the hand. The

place at Monticello Hall next Tuesday night.

sides to get the hearse out of the river.

spend the Christmas holidays.

lain; Dr. J. F. Bass, court physician; M.

ten consecutive terms.

cobs, trustees.

of rheumatism.

vesterday.

in this city.

and were drowned.

his grave at Hollywood.

wards.

barometer, northeast to northwest winds,

warmer, cloudy weather, with rain or

weather, and possibly rain or snow.

Incidents and Accidents of the Occasion.

THE CIRCULATION OF THE DISPATCH IS LARGER THAN THE COMBINED CIRCU-FULL DAY'S WORK FOR THE FIREMEN-LATION OF ALL THE OTHER DAILY NEWS-NO SERIOUS LOSSES, HOWEVER-ACCI-DENTS FROM THE USE OF FIREARMS-AT-TENDANCE AT THE CHURCHES-RESULT OF VARIOUS SORTS.

> Christmas was a cold, crispy, and brilliant day. The weather was admirably suited to the celebration of the joyous festival, which is symbolized in the minds of most people by Santa Claus with frozen beard, bowls of frothy egg-nog, booming of fire-crackers, and screeching of tin-horns.

the noise on the streets, directed their thoughts to worship. The attendance gencold during the early part of the day. Later erally was fine, the music better than usual, menced snowing, and was snowing at mid-A. M., 29; noon, 41; 3 P. M., 41; 6 P. joyment. Many doings that would have his own congregation, but of the whites, about the 20th instant the weather had been been checked by prompt arrest on other days were this time very properly passed remarkably pleasant. While there were by. The firemen were called upon to rethere was no ice or continued cold spell. spond to frequent alarms. Happily none of At sunrise on the morning of the 20th, a the fires were permitted to gain much headweek ago to-day, the mercury stood at 190 way, and so the record of losses is not formi-Fabrenheit. It has been cold and clear dable. Christmas night there were in many since then until yesterday, when it read 14°, the day before being 17°. This, with localities of the city very bandsome displays of fireworks. Rockets and roman-candles have this day declared a dividend of THREE the calm, still weather, allowed ice to form, and early-risers might have seen the river the past six months, payable on and after January 2, and early-risers might have seen the river frozen over from shore to shore at Rocketts and occasional beauty and nearly up to Mayo's bridge. All the merriment was being kept up to the "pop" of the fire-crackers and occasional frozen over from shore to shore at Rocketts | booming of "baby-wakers" showed that and nearly up to Mayo's bridge. All the the merriment was being kept up to the ponds in the neighborhood have been frozen last, and that the young folks were having over for several days, and ice was harvested a lively time. Some of the episodes of the vesterday from three to four inches thick; day are referred to in the items below :

CHRISTMAS SPREES. As the result of excessive drinking, a large number of parties were before the Police Court on yesterday and the day before. The following were the most serious cases: William Wyatt (colored), charged with assaulting Herman Hauke with a powder belonging to a number of youths slung-shot or stick-fined \$20, which he up town exploded in a tin can, scattering paid; Norman Simons (colored), creating a the pieces, breaking one or two mirrors, disturbance, and striking Captain Parater- and cutting one of the boys with a piece of fined \$20, and sentenced to thirty days in the tin. iail; August Holzapple, firing his pistol on the corner of Fifth and Broad streets, and (unintentionally) sending the ball thereof through the calf of Isaac Green's leg, was convicted of simple assault and battery, and fined \$25, which was paid; Nat. Campbell and Park Ellets (colored), fighting Christmas evening corner Federal and First streets, fined \$10 each; 'Professor" Eugene Ruby was fined \$10 for abusing Sergeant Angle while in the discharge of his duty, which was paid; Henry White (colored), disorderly and re-2:10 P. M. yesterday, as the Chief Engineer sisting Captain Parater, \$2.50; Lewis Car-

of the Fire Department was coming from a visit to Mr. Elijah Baker a little boy hailed Donetti, sentenced to twenty lashes. him and asked if he was not Captain Ainslie, of the Fire Department, and said that a out the Department, he turned in an alarm COMMERCIAL CLUB.

at Station 23, corner Seventeenth and Marshall streets. The fire proved to be the burning of the roof of Mr. A. McAuley's Last night at 10:20 o'clock an alarm was lighted, and many of our most prominent garten is the paradise of childhood. sounded from Station 23, corner of Sevencitizens attended, and were the recipients of teenth and Marshall streets, caused by the a hospitality as cordial as it was bounteous. burning of an unoccupied framed dwellinghouse, in rear of No. 621 Seventeenth street, ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE LEIGHowned by Dr. John Knox. Loss, \$250. STREET BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL. Cause of fire not ascertained, but was prob-

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the Leigh-Street Baptist Sunday school was celebrated Christmas-day in the lecture-room of the church. As usual on this occasion, the awarded prizes. The exercises commenced congratulated the school on the success that has attended it the past year, and urged them to renewed efforts for the future.

The following is the report of the school roll, 75; scholars, 525. Average attendance of scholars, 443; officers and teachers, 70. Number of church membership, 900; church members in school, 230; deaths, 5; largest attendance of scholars on any Sunday, 502; collections, \$347.33. Four officers, five teachers, and forty-nine scholars were present every Sunday during the

The following is the report of the primary department of the school: Number of scholars on roll, 225; teachers, 21; average attendance of male and female scholars, 80: average attendance of female scholars, 93: percentage of roll, 77; largest attendance of of male scholars, June 23d, 96; largest attendance of female scholars, June 16th, 118; smallest attendance of scholars. December 15, 54; smallest attendance of male scholars, December 15th, 29; smallest attendance of female scholars, December 15th, 25; number of new scholars reported, 118; deaths, Pittsylvania, and Michie, of Albemarle, are \$113.37 collected and \$116.86 disbursed. This department of the school is under the immediate control of Messrs. A. B. Clarke and E. Gathright, assisted by an efficient corps of teachers, to whose exertions the

success of this department is due. SERVICES AT THE FIRST AFRICAN BAPTIST CHURCH. At 11 o'clock on Wednesday a congrega-

tion numbering about one thousand assem-

bled at the old First African church, it hav-

be conducted by Rev. Drs. E. W. Warren and Henry McDonald, and that the latter would deliver his lecture on "Reasons for becoming a Protestant and a Baptist." Sickness, however, prevented Dr. Mc-Donald from being present, and Dr. Warren read portions of his lecture and interspersed the reading with comments of his own. The congregation listened with rapt attention, and seemed deeply interested. Rev. Dr. J. William Jones, the Pastor (Rev. J. H. Holmes), and Rev. Walter H. Brookes, pastor of the Second African church, assisted Dr. Warren in the service. At night their large room was again well filled. Rev. J. William Jones made an ad-THE LATE JESSE T. HUTCHESON .- The dress on "Individual Responsibility," in funeral of the late Jesse T. Hutcheson took which he urged that there is in the Chrisplace from Grace-Street Presbyterian tian economy no such thing as a performance of duty by proxy, but that each one Dr. Edwards, and Mr. Schaeffer, pastor of must repent for himself, believe for himself, the English Lutheran church, conducted the be baptized for himself, lead a Christian

> church work. Rev. Dr. Curry then made a noble address on Money—what it is, how to make it, and how to use it. He brought out very elearly the point that money is valuable only for what it will buy; that "bonesty is the best policy," as well as right in itself; that labor is the foundation of property; that Government can't make a man rich; nism between capital and Labor is the enemy of society, and especially of the poor, since

the kindliest feelings between these tableaux, music, &c., to-night (27th), for the classes. He urged that his heavers should benefit of the church. Extensive prepara-

what they made, especially refraining from ! needless expenditures for tobacco, whiskey, excursions, and other expensive, useless, and injurious luxuries. He urged them to day, began yesterday at Johnston's musicbuy themselves homes as fast as they were store. able, to make their houses comfortable and attractive, to improve their minds and edu-

their money freely for the Church and the cause of Christ in the world. These points Dr. Curry elaborated and power, which seemed to thrill and delight very instructive and useful to them.

cate their children, and, above all, to use

The singing morning and night, led by their splendid choir, was very artistic and enjovable.

congregated and enjoyed themselves. There nearly 4,000-having had about 1,100 addi- Lord's Supper was purtaken of. were some excesses, of course. Liquor got tions during the year. Their paster, Rev. the best of quite a number; but, generally James H. Holmes, is a native of Richmond, speaking, the order of the city was such as was connected with the church during the bath school-Mr. William Farrar superinportant specialty of tin-horns we excel. church with such zeal, wisdom, and discre-The police allowed a liberal latitude for en- tion that he has won the esteem not only of

> who know him as well. FATAL ACCIDENT.

Charles Harris, a colored man, on Christmas-day tried to light a pipe by a kerosene lamp. An explosion followed, and he was fatally burned. He was removed to the almshouse, where he died vesterday morning. Deceased was a highly-respectable man, of middle age, and a very valuable hand at the Tredegar Works, having been formerly the slave of General Joseph R.

Anderson. He leaves a wife and children. BADLY BURNED. A negro man living up town, while very drunk on Christmas-day, fell into the fire and was so badly burned that it is believed he will die. The children from the house were out sending off tire-crackers when the

accident occurred. POWDER EXPLOSION. Early Christmas morning a quantity of

THE KINDERGARTEN.

The little ones of the American Kindergarten, 208 south Third street, had a merry time at their Christmas entertainment. The programme was as follows: Opening hymn, 'I think when I read," &c.; reading, Centennial piece, Agnes Walker; Lesson in Natural History; The Cat Family; song. Clap, Clap, Hurrah; recitation, The Dead Doll, Lue Ballow, Mary Shelton, Irene Bodeker; song, "The Farmer," the sleeping scene at the close being simply inimitable. Kindergarten Occupations-first class, designing and painting; second class, exerter (colored), stealing ninety cents from C. cise with cubes. Calisthenics; music. Kindergarten Occupations-Stick-laying, A large number of parties who were weaving, and chain-making; song; positaken up for being drunk or disorderly tion exercise; recitation, My Little Brother, of the Fire Department, and said that a were leniently dealt with by the magistrates hay and Nannie Ellyson; game, The Bees; fying himself that it was necessary to call at the station houses or by the Police Jus- recitation, Santa Claus, May Ellyson; song, Santa Claus; recitation, The Darky's Sci mon, Agnes Walker; after which, came This useful and prosperous organization refreshments. A Christmas-tree, decorated opened its doors for the reception of its with the mats, cards, and pictures which dwelling on Strecker's Hill, caused by chim- friends from 6 to 10 P. M. Christmas night. little fingers had made themselves, formed The handsome club-rooms, corner of Gov- an attractive feature; and Santa Claus, too, ernor and Ross streets, were brilliantly remembered each one. Truly, the Kinder-

CANE PRESENTATION. and Steam Fire-Engine Company, No. 3, assembled at their house, on Broad street jured man his condition is very critical. (Washington Hall), and dispatched Mr. things, and those of them who were pre- him to the engine-house at once. The duty sent every Sunday during the year were was performed, and Mr. Cohen, greatly surprised at the manœuvre, found himself appropriate passage of Scripture. Ad- in the proceedings Engineer J. Oscar was badly burned. Mr. Reams was passing prices, and satisfaction guarante-d. dresses were delivered by Rev. W. E. Goode stepped out of line, and after making up the street, and dropped a cigar on the Hatcher, pastor of Grace-Street church, and an appropriate address, presented Mr. Co-Rev. John B. Turpin, of Halifax. They hen, on behalf of his comrades and associates of the two companies, with a handsome gold-headed cane.

Mr. Cohen responded to Mr. Goode's remarks in a brief but felicitous address; for the past year: Officers and teachers on after which remarks were made by the Honor, was organized April, 1877. Mr. Chief Engineer and Assistant Engineer

FIRES ON CHRISTMAS-DAY. The firemen were kept very busy on Christmas-day, and had a number of long and tiresome runs. None of the fires, for-

tunately, were of a very serious nature. The first was about 2:35 o'clock A. M .the alarm being turned in at Station 4, Third Police District headquarters, and was caused by the partial buring of the roof and upper story of framed dwelling-house No. 115 east Marshall street, owned by Mrs. Hilliard, a widow lady, and occupied by four families. The fire originated from a defecscholars, June 16th, 213; largest attendance tive flue in the upper story. Loss on house, \$250. The furniture, was very slightly damaged, if injured at all. The ladies were forced to move out later in the day. The next alarm was about 9:50 A. M.

Marshall streets, and was caused by the John H. Hatcher. On the return of the burning of a few patches in the roof of No. 2. The treasurer's report for the year shows 505 Eighteenth street—an unoccupied served at the hall. dwelling-house. Damage trifling. Cause, chimney sparks.

Venable street took fire, but was speedily extinguished. Cause, chimney sparks. The next fire was on Ninth street near Marshall street. A lot of clothing in a house occupied by colored persons took fire but the flames were put out by the firemen of Steamer No. 3 and Hook-and-Ladder ing been announced that the services would Truck Company No. 1 with buckets of water without turning in an alarm.

The next fire was about 2 o'clock P. M. and was caused by the burning of a few shingles on the roof of No. 711 Catherine street, occupied by Thomas Anthony, the alarm being turned in at Station 52, corner Clay and Gilmer streets. Damage trifling. Caused by chimney-sparks.

At 2:40 P. M. an alarm was sounded from Station 31, corner Fourteenth and Main streets, caused by the burning of a lot of paper and rubbish in the cellar of Messrs. Gates & Minor, wholesale grocers and liquor-dealers, No. 1436 east Main street. The fire was caused by fire-crackers falling through the iron grating into the cellar below. No damage.

Shortly after 4 o'clock chimney sparks set fire to the roof of Mr. Mettert's residence, corner of Twenty-second and M streets Damage trifling. The fire was put out by the Church-Hill company without giving an services. A large number of mourning life for himself, and bear his own share of alarm. friends followed this good and true man to the responsilities, duties, and burdens of Fire-crackers set fire to a lot of shaving

> corner of Clay and First streets during the forenoon, but passers-by extinguished the flames without giving an alarm. A MINISTER POUNDED .- On Christmaseve the residence of Rev. J. B. Hutson, pastor of Pine-Street Baptist church, was

and rubbish in the carpenter-shop at the

invaded by a number of the members of the BALL NEXT TUESDAT NIGHT.—The fifth that an equal division of property by force congregation, each one bringing a bundle and now prepared, with unsurpassed facility to the part of the part of the part of the part of the members of the that an equal division of property by force congregation, each one bringing a bundle would be a curse to all classes, and that the or package, to the joy and gladness of the past o TABLEAUX AND MUSIC .- The ladies of THE FIRST NATIONAL DANK has declared a dividend of five per cent., and not four, as the block to offer the light to offer the l

LAWRENCE BARRETT .- The sale of reserved seats for Mr. Barrett's engagement, which commences at the Theatre next Mon-

MANCHESTER AND VICINITY.

Christmas-How I! Was Observed Christmas-day, as usual, was ushered in with innumerable guns, the firing of crack-OF SEVERAL CHRISTMAS SPREES-ITEMS illustrated, making an address of rare ers, and the blowing of horns. It is pleasant to say that the usual amount of dissipation his congregation, and which was doubtless on the streets was not visible. The day, as far as heard from, passed off pleasantly, quietly, and without disorder. At 11 o'clock A. M. services were held at

the Meade Memorial church. Rev. Mr. This church has paid about \$15,000 on Stringfellow preached an appropriate distheir new house of worship, nearly all of course from Luke ii., 7. The decorations which they have raised themselves, and are at this church were only generally noticed now providing for a debt of \$5,000 and to Wednesday. Around the walls were beau-Many people went to church, and, despite finish their house, which will be when com- tiful festoons of cedar and holly. Over the pleted probably the largest and most at- chancel, in beautiful letters, were worked tractive church edifice owned by any the words: "Unto you this day a Saviour colored congregation in the country, is born." Beneath this was a harp, surand the spirit of devotion doubtless good. They deserve great credit for the liberali- mounted by the words: "Gloria in Ex-On the principal streets-especially on ty they have shown in raising funds for celsis." The music was very sweet, and Broad-crowds of young men and boys church work. The church now numbers after the sermon the sacrament of the In the afternoon, at Lyceum Hall, the

would compare favorably with any city of pastorate of Rev. Dr. Robert Ryland, before | tendent-took place. The children recited our population in the country. In the im- the war, and has managed the affairs of his appropriate pieces, and each and all were the recipients of Christmas-gifts. At night there were many merry-makings. notably that at Councilman Howle's, at which were represented the beauty of Richmond, Chesterfield, and this city. Warner Allen furnished the music, and the night

Christmas anniversary of the Christian Sab-

was one of the most delightful ever passed in the city. Last night there were other parties, and on the whole, the season has passed off as pleasantly as any for a long time. The accidents were few, the police had but little extra duty to perform, and Manchester may congratulate herself that the observance of Christmas has come to be almost as quiet and

sedate as that of the Sabbath. Yesterday work was resumed at some of the mills. To-day the workshops commence work, but, generally speaking, operations will not be fully resumed until Monday, December 30th. The public schools will not commence until January 2d.

Death of Mr. John H. Hatcher-Funeral Services, &c .- The Christmas festivities of our community were greatly saddened by the death of Mr. John H. Hather, which occurred shortly after noon on Wednesday. The deceased was a native of Cumberland, and about sixty-three years of age, and had resided in Manchester from his boyhood. It is no exaggeration to say that he was the most popular and best beloved man in this city, and most deservedly so. Time and again, under the old charter, he was a member of the Town Trustees and its presiding officer. In every relation of life he fulfilled his calling, and was an honest, generous, whole-souled gentleman. No death that has occurred in many years was received with more unusual feelings of sorrow.

A called meeting of Manchester Lodge, which the deceased was a past worshipful master, was held Wednesday night, when suitable action was taken in reference to the death of their lamented comrade. The funeral will take place under Masonic auspices to-day from the Methodist church at 12 o'clock M., and the remains will be interred at Hollywood.

Serious Casualty .- Wednesday morning a white man, who gave his name as Charles Turner, of Greenburg, Greenville county, S. C., jumped from the Petersburg train, which was running at full speed, near Maury Cemetery, seriously injuring himself
about the head, neck, and breast. The iniured man was brought to this city and his
wounds dressed by Dr. Monteiro, when he
was sent to the almshouse in Richmond.

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residence of Mr. Edward Cohen, the fire- ductor came around for tickets, and bolted States at publishers' rates. Orders left at the Dia scholars were treated to a feast of good man's friend, with instructions to bring out without waiting for the train to be stopped by the conductor. Badly Burned .- Wednesday morning, on with singing, prayer, and the reading of an between the two companies. At this point Fifth street below Decatur, Mr. Fell Reams DISPATCH PRINTING-HOUSE. Good work, low

> sidewalk. Some one had earelessly put powder on the street, and when he stooped to pick up the eigar the powder exploded, burning his face and eyes badly. Personal .- Dale Lodge, Knights John R. Cogbill is the first member they

have lost. Under the rules of the order his widow receives \$2,000. Mr. C. C. Farley, formerly of Manchester, was married at Swift Creek Tuesday Festive Notes .- The Bon-Ton Coterie and

Little Rosebuds celebrated Christmas last \$3.50. night in tine style. The attendance at each was large and select, and the joy uncontined. To-night at the Green House the Geranium-Leaf Socials have their anniversary.

Committee: W. N. Page, R. W. Brodnax, Jr., J. H. Ingram, and R. C. Stanard. St. John's Day .- The usual celebration

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